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## BLAZE THE PATHWAYS

Not many months since, MacGregor Joseph of Boston, publisher of the Atlantic Monthly, told in a speech before the Contemporary Club of St. Louis that he felt sympathy for a suffering public because of the large number of American publications that deal in fiction "unfit for reading." Granting that Mr. Joseph was right in his classification of fiction, the public is powerful, and generally gets what it wants. The public must be changed in order to effect a reformation. Macgregor lies the need of someone to blaze a pathway.

Macgregor reads. It reads for recreation, but from its reading it draws its code or philosophy of living. The reading being for recreation, fiction is the more popular. Fiction is more easily understood and is more in the reach of the popular intelligence. The story gives stimulation to the reading, and attracts readers. Magazine agents will testify that the cover designs sell the magazine.

He who would blaze a pathway will come from the common people, with a full understanding of his people, their wants and their mental capacity. He will write according to DeFoe's advice, to please and to serve at the same time. He will not hide his simple thoughts with technique and will be prolific to the point of establishing a standard.

It will take November rains and possibly some snows to erase the mud left from the present campaign.

Mexico shows good judgment in deporting United States draft evaders, but why return them to us?

## TOMORROW'S WORKMEN

What about tomorrow's skilled workmen?

In your great-grandfather's day they would have been found among the "bound boys" learning their trade from blacksmith, carpenter, printer or other artisan. And in your grandfather's day you would have found these same "bound boys" now journeymen teaching their skill to another class of learners, usually apprentices who received a small wage during the four or six years which were then regarded as necessary to train a finished workman.

It was not until the fathers of most of the present younger generation were grown that the decline of the apprentice as a factor in industry set in. This has continued at an ever increasing rate until today many of the skilled trades face the danger of extinction. If this condition were confined to the graphic arts alone it would be a serious situation, but when it is considered that the same condition exists among many of the skilled trades it demands the best thought of the economic and industrial world.

This disappearance of the apprentice can be traced to three primary causes: The development of large incorporated businesses (and the decline of the small individual shop in industry), the influence of trade unions and the invention of automatic machinery.

The training of apprentices is expensive; the large corporation could frequently cut costs by eliminating them. At times apprentices did work which might otherwise have been done by a journeyman; so the trade union restricted their employment. Automatic machinery often makes it possible for the youth who might have been an apprentice to quickly earn high wages; so less and less boys apply for apprenticeship.

Most of the journeymen today come to industry, not as apprentices, but from trade schools. It seems probable that this will prove the solution. Trade schools are on the increase everywhere. Some are conducted by private individuals as money making enterprises, others by groups of employers and in some cases by labor unions.

## GET A HOME NOW

Prior to the opening of the University there existed a considerable shortage of rooming houses in Columbia.

This situation was somewhat exaggerated because of the fact that owners and real estate men preferred to sell rather than rent.

But the shortage of houses in American cities is an actuality. In general the larger the city the more acute the situation. The governor of New York, has called a special session of the legislature to develop some plan for solving the shortage of homes in the City of New York.

Scarcity of dwelling places is due to two factors, the migration of people to the city, and the great advance in the price of building materials. The United States Housing Corporation estimated a million families that needed houses before the war. Only 70,000 houses were built in 1919 of the needed 500,000. It is a well known fact that the stability and endurance of a nation rests upon its home life. The shortage of houses prevents ones that people are forced to live in because of the shortage then is more than a temporary or local evil.

The solution of the problem is simpler in Columbia than New York. Get a home and get it now should be the determination of every family. Building materials are high, yes, but that is a condition that is likely to exist for some time.

A man with a home has something definite, something tangible; by its possession he becomes a better citizen. Around home life center the tenderest memories of an individual's existence. To himself and to his family every father owes the duty of buying a home and buying it now.

The price of sugar is going down, and life should become sweeter hereafter.

There are many who have "our ideals hitched to a lamp post instead of a star."

A NEW STATE CONSTITUTION Missouri needs a new state constitution. The incredulous ask the question, "Why a new Constitution?"

The answer—what farmer in Missouri today would attempt to farm and market his crops in the same manner that he did in the early seventies? What business man would try to sell the same goods or try to use the same methods of doing business that he did forty years ago? Forty-five years ago the constitution of Missouri in its present form came into being. It was a product of the day in which it was born. It met the needs of that period.

It was adopted just following the great panic of 1873. Just at a time when the people of the State were excited about the reckless expenditures and the loose financial policies of the State and local officials.

Its purpose and plan was that of a conservative finance and a restriction upon the action of State and local officials. The present constitution is admirably adapted to such a policy. There were great restrictions placed upon incorporated cities and the functioning of state, local and city courts. There was inadequate provision made for schools in rural districts, for proper co-operation with

## MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

W. R. Freudenberg went to Hannibal on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Elsie Clutter went to Moberly Tuesday on business.

Miss Jewel Bretton left Columbia this morning for Dallas, Tex.

F. V. L. Cole of Havana, Mo., returned home this morning.

Miss Anna Catherine Sykes, 511 Rollins street, returned Sunday evening from a two-month stay in Northern Michigan.

Miss Dorothy Logan, 507 Rollins street, returned Monday from a month's visit in Washington, D. C.

Miss Flora Williamson of Kansas City is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Williamson.

Miss Belle Hope Robinson went to Cleveland, Ohio, Tuesday to teach in one of the junior high schools there.

W. C. Warner, who has been visiting in Columbia, returned to his home in St. Louis this morning.

I. P. Hutcheon was called to Kirksville Tuesday by the death of his brother's child.

Mrs. P. Watson of Fulton, Mo., left yesterday after a short visit at the home of Judge J. A. Stewart of Columbia.

Mrs. H. A. Collier left this morning for St. Louis where she will visit for a few days.

Mrs. C. W. Greene and Mrs. W. T. Stephenson went to St. Louis on business this morning.

Miss Nell Schindler returned to her home in Centralia Tuesday evening, after spending the day with friends here.

T. H. Edwards of Gary, Ind., who has been visiting his family in Columbia, left for St. Louis this morning.

Miss Rose Rosenwald returned yesterday from Kansas City. She was accompanied by her cousin, Miss Ellen Rosenwald.

E. A. Logan, agricultural statistician for Missouri, left this morning for Jefferson City on official business. He will be back Friday morning.

Mrs. W. B. Figg who has been visiting her brother, Moss Jones, returned

to her home in Hallsville Tuesday evening.

Miss Hazel Roberts went to Renick this morning where she will visit her mother, Mrs. Mary E. Roberts, for a few days.

The Rev. S. B. Owens of the Christian church at La Plata was here looking for a house this week. He expects to move here to do work in the University.

E. B. Rose of Paris, Mo., who has been visiting Bud Cressy here, returned home Tuesday. He formerly lived in Columbia.

Miss Ruth Bell, society editor of the St. Joseph Gazette, returned to her home in St. Joseph today after a week's visit in Columbia.

Mrs. L. Perkins and six children of Kansas City returned to their home yesterday after a four-week stay in Wilton, Mo., with Mrs. Perkins' parents.

Prof. and Mrs. E. V. Vaughn of Newark, Del., who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Vaughn, 813 College avenue, will leave for their home the latter part of this week.

Mrs. Mary Crosswhite of Jefferson City who has been visiting her father, John Crist of Columbia left yesterday for Denver where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. K. Longworth.

Miss Marie Fowler, former kindergarten

instructor in the elementary school, will leave for California the latter part of this week. Miss Fowler will remain in California all winter.

Miss Helen Howard, winner of the gold medal in the piano contest at Christian College last spring, arrived in Columbia to assist in the piano department of Christian College this year.

Mrs. E. M. Woodworth of Columbia left yesterday for Maryville, Mo., where she will visit her father-in-law, L. Woodworth. She will also visit in Bernard, Mo.

Miss Reba Ashlock and Neil Ashlock of Oklahoma City have been visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Emma Harshon, and aunt, Mrs. Mabel Edwards, of Ashland, Mo. They returned to their home yesterday.

Mrs. G. B. Orton and son, C. B. Orton; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ketchum and son and daughter, William Ketchum and Laura Ketchum, motored to Shelbyville Saturday, where they visited Mrs. Ketchum's daughter, Mrs. Claude Murray. They returned Sunday.

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The Columbia public schools won the following prizes on their exhibits at the State Fair at Sedalia August 14 to 21: House plan, Grant School grade 7, first; Lee School grade 7, third; water color landscapes, Eugene Field grade 8, third; Lee School grade 5, second; English work, Lee School grade 5, second; crayon sketches, daily lesson, Lee School, second; costume design, Jefferson School grade 7, first; modes of travel, Benton School grade 7, first; costume of nations, Benton School grade 6, third; school games, Benton School grade 3, first; Eugene Field grade 3, second; book cover designs, Lee School grade 7, second; penmanship, Jefferson School grade 7, first.

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